

LET'S TALK

Eastwood at girls' school; Spacek in her 'Prime'

By Taylor Michaels

Q: I saw a Clint Eastwood movie some years ago — after his Rawhide days. He was very young, and he played a soldier who came upon a girls' school. The girls all fell in love with him but, after having to amputate his leg, in the end they poisoned him with mushrooms. Can you tell me the name of the movie and what year it was made? — Pat Cresseveur, Bardstown, Ky.

A: This slightly offbeat Eastwood outing is titled *The Beguiled* and was made in 1971.

Q: I'm writing for some information on the Ford supermodel Fabio Lanzoni. He recently appeared on Maury Povich and is a frequent model for Avon publications.

I'm interested in details on how he was "discovered" and what his first jobs were. Has he done any acting? Does he reside in the States as well as Italy? What are his agents' or publicists' names? — Lori Gaines, Kilgore, Texas.

A: Lanzoni's publicist, Nadine Johnson, is quick to point out how "very hot" he is right now, and that he is too busy working to grant many interviews.

The son of Milan mechanical engineer Sauro Lanzoni and his wife, Flora, Fabio moved to New York City when he was 21 (he's 31 now) and claims to have signed a modeling contract with Ford "15 minutes" after barging into their offices. It's been wine and roses ever since, as he's modeled for over 300 romance novel cover illustrations (at



Clint Eastwood, Elizabeth Hartman in *The Beguiled*

about 45 minutes and \$3,000 a pop) and had cameos in *Scenes From a Mall* and *Exorcist III*. He hopes his future will include more beefy film roles, but in the meantime, he's busying himself with a six-figure deal to write (as well as pose for) a few romance novels. For exercise, Lanzoni lifts weights and goes cycling. He lives in West Hollywood with four Great Danes. You may write him in care of Nadine Johnson, CMB Communications, 155 East 75th Street No. 3W, New York, N.Y., 10021.

Q: I recently saw the TV movie *The Habitation of Dragons*. I didn't realize until I read the credits that Brad Davis is deceased. The credits read "the late Brad Davis." Am I correct when I say he played the part of Robert Kennedy in a TV movie? — Rose Sentido, Warner, Pa.

A: Another reader, Sylvia Cotton from Carthage, Texas, has also inquired about Davis, and I'll try to answer all the questions.

Tragically, Davis' life was cut short earlier this year by complications arising from AIDS. He was probably best known for his brilliant turn in 1978's *Midnight Express*, which garnered a best-screenplay Oscar for Oliver Stone. His intense portrayal of American Billy Hayes, who was tortured in a Turkish prison for years after being caught drug-smuggling, was most effective. As mentioned, he also portrayed the late Robert Kennedy in a 1985 miniseries titled *Robert Kennedy and His Times*.

Q: Many years ago, possibly in the late '70s, I saw a Lee Marvin movie in the theater, but I have never seen it again. He played a mobster who was in conflict with another gang. Much of the war was in Kansas, and people in large combines chased others around in a wheat field, and also in a packing plant where butchered cattle hung. Can you tell me what the title was? — Charlotte Anderson, Metropolis, Ill.

A: That film was 1972's *Prime Cut*, a nifty little actioner starring Marvin, Gene Hackman and Sissy Spacek, in her film debut. The movie is available on video.

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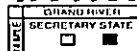
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